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FOR:   Use of Pre-Coated Mat for Preparing Gypsum       )  
      Board                              )

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 5, 2009, Applicants request reconsideration in the view of the following amendment and remarks for entry in the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)**

I hereby certify that this Amendment and the documents referred to as attached therein are being transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on this date February 18, 2009, via EFS-web.

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